

MEMORANDUM

VIENNA

NO.: VSM/SLZ/1631

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DATE: 26 May 1949

TO : [] and []

FROM : []

SUBJECT: HEBERSTREIT

REF :

Delivered 3 May

1. Attached please find translation of the letter Subject sent me on 23 May 1949.

2. It would be best if you could send him, through []'s man, 500 schillings with the request that he take all the letters he has to []-burg. On his arrival he should call Salzburg 67164 and ask for "Pista" ([]'s nickname) who, in turn, will be briefed on the topics to be discussed and explore what services could be furnished by Subject.

3. I am also attaching a note to Subject, for []'s man, the contents of which are:

"Dear Friend:

Thank you for your notes of 23 May 1949. It seems best, in view of the changed conditions, if you would come down and meet me with all the papers you have from "I" so that we can discuss all the problems personally, including our plans for the future. As to expenses, my man brings you 500 schillings for the time being. Any additional expense will be settled upon your arrival. Please let me know the time of your arrival which can also be over a weekend, and indicate how you can be recognized. Upon your arrival, please call 67164 and ask for "Pista". If he comes to the phone tell him where and when you can be met.

Regards, "

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Translation of HEERSTREIT's letter to me, sent through the letterbox, on
23 May 1949:

"Dear Sir:

Finally, light was thrown on the puzzle which for some weeks caused me some inquietude. The man who asked for the letter, was not at all informed and here and there his statements did not correspond entirely with the truth. Thus I found him so suspicious that I preferred to dismiss him with an innocent letter from "I" to dispose of some of his luggage left behind. This with the thought to appease the unknown who made the inquiry. I very much regret this turn of events because it made me worry some. You must understand that I do not live in the western zones, and here they are not too gentle. I would like to have the letter back because it is a personal matter of "I"'s.

I believe it worthwhile to inform you about things up to date:

When I started discussions with "I", he indicated that I would receive 250 to 300 schillings per month, regardless of whether there was any activity. Besides this, my actual expenses were to be covered separately. After my return to Vienna, "I" wrote me a letter in which he indicated that he would send me some money and that I should wait with my actions until someone visits me who will have something to discuss with me. Neither the money nor the person whom he signaled showed up. I must tell you that "I" still owes me some money in connection with my trip. On 13 April, the same day your man first showed up, I received a letter from Frederick BAUMGARTNER (I). This letter did not contain anything of interest and did not indicate that someone would call to fetch the letter. This I still do not understand.

I have difficulties in meeting your request (Field comment: That he should come to Salzburg) because I am tied up at the university, although if the occasion should arise, I can manage to get away. It would be appropriate, however, if you would indicate what would be the thing I would have to do in the future. Namely, the conditions with which we have counted, have changed considerably and definitely to the worse. It may well be that I cannot take upon myself the tasks you have in mind. If it is the transmittal of letters, this can be managed eventually.

Briefly, I would like to have an outline concerning the future.

Merely by numbers, I do not know which is the letter you have in mind because the letters are not numbered. Do you mean the letter sent by "I" after my departure, or the one which is the most essential?

Please do not send me notes by mail.

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This letter was taken by me personally to the spot given to me by "I".
Another letter was also given to your cutout, merely to indicate that
a detailed letter was sent through the letterbox of F.B.

With respect,

Vienna 23 May 1949."